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last question would count toward our quiz. "Absolutely," said the professor." In your careers, you will meet many people. All are significant. They deserve your attention and care, even if all you do is smile and say 'hello'.

"I've never forgotten that lesson. I also learned her name was Dorothy.

2- Pickup in the Rain One night, at 11:30 PM.

An older African American woman was standing on the side of an Alabama highway trying to endure a lashing rain storm. Her car had broken down and she

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FIVE GREAT LESSONS:

Some Important Lessons Life Teaches You...

1 - Most Important Lesson - During my second month of nursing school, our professor gave us a pop quiz. I was a conscientious student and had breezed through the questions, until I read the last one: "What is the first name of the woman who cleans the

school?" Surely this was some kind of joke. I had seen the cleaning woman several times. She was tall, dark-haired and in her 50s, but how would I know her name? I handed in the paper, leaving the question blank. Just before class

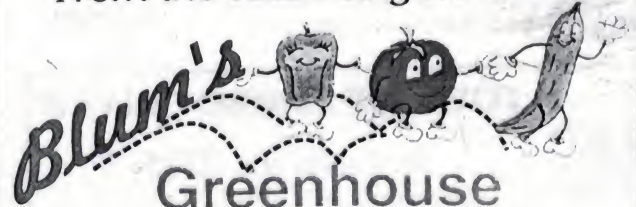
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special note was at-
tached. It read: Thank
you so much for assisting
me on the highway the
other night. The rain
drenched not only my
clothes, but also my
spirits. Then you came
along. Because of you, I
was able to make it to my
husband's bedside just
before he passed away.
God bless you for helping
and unselfishly serving
others. "Sincerely,
Mrs. Nat King Cole"

3- Always remember those
who serve you. In the days
when an ice cream sundae
cost much less, a 10 year
old boy entered a hotel
coffee shop and sat at a
table. A waitress put a
glass of water in front of
him. "How much is an ice
cream
sun-
dae?" he
asked.
"Fifty
cents,"
replied
the
wait-
ress. The
little
boy
pulled
his hand
out of
his
pocket
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studied the coins in it.
"Well, how much is a plain
dish of ice cream?"
inquired. By now more people
were waiting for a table and
the waitress was growing
impatient "Thirty-five
cents," she brusquely
replied." The little boy
again counted his coins.
"I'll have the plain ice
cream," he said. The
waitress brought the ice
cream, put the bill on the
table and went away. The boy
finished the ice cream, paid
the cashier and left. When

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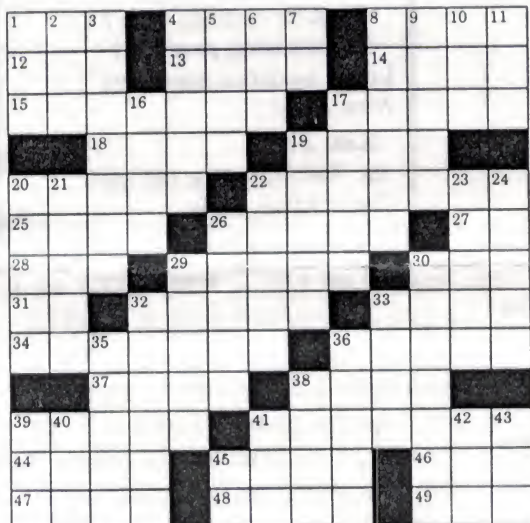
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ACROSS

1. Aged
4. — -dunk, basketball coup
8. Cabbage salad, for short
12. Tiny
13. Ripped
14. Eager expectation
15. Least far
17. Surfaced (a street)
18. Ready for harvest
19. Tiresome speaker
20. Flower "legs"
22. Woods
25. A smaller amount
26. Suggests
27. That man
28. Social insect
29. Strong winds
30. Honey maker
31. Vote of opposition
32. Peels
33. Thick string
34. Doctored
36. Gets in shape
37. Pub drinks

DOWN

38. Temporary gift
39. Goes up
41. Rags
44. High cards
45. 10¢ coin
46. Knock lightly
47. Sunset direction
48. Singletons
49. Pigpen
7. "I've Gotta Be —," song
8. Portions
9. Adores
10. Mimic
11. Marry
16. Borders
17. Harbors
19. Skeleton parts
20. Incline
21. Pavarotti's voice
22. Put away for reference
23. In that place
24. Plant beginnings
26. Rabbits' kin
29. Fence entryways
30. Babies' hats
32. Least colorful
33. Layer, as of paint
35. Relieves
36. Carryalls
38. Crippled
39. Uncooked
40. Winter driving hazard
41. Can material
42. Sewer inhabitant
43. Secret agent
45. Perform



CROSSWORD 53



the waitress came back, she began to cry as she wiped down the table. There, placed neatly beside the

dish, were two nickels and five pennies - You see, he couldn't have the sundae because he had to have enough left to leave her a tip.

4- The Obstacle in Our Path
In ancient times, a King had a boulder placed on a roadway. Then he hid himself and watched to see if anyone would remove the huge rock. Some of the king's wealthiest merchants and courtiers came by and simply walked around it. Many loudly blamed the king for not

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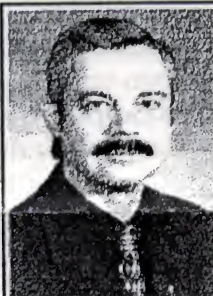
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keeping the roads clear, But none did anything about getting the stone out of the way. Then a peasant came along carrying a load of vegetables. Upon approaching the boulder, the peasant laid down his burden and tried to move the stone to the side of the road. After much pushing and straining, he finally succeeded. After the peasant picked up



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his load of vegetables, he noticed a purse lying in the road where the boulder had been. The purse contained many gold coins and a note from the king indicating that the gold was for the person who removed the boulder from the roadway. The peasant learned what many of us never understand. Every obstacle presents an opportunity to improve our condition.

5- Giving When it Counts

Many years ago, when I worked as a volunteer at a hospital, I got to know a little girl named Liz who was suffering from a rare and serious disease. Her only chance of recovery appeared to be a blood transfusion from her 5-year old brother, who had miraculously survived the same disease and had developed the

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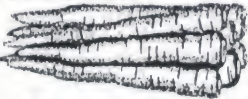
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doctor; he thought he was going to have to give his sister all of his blood in order to save her. You see understanding and attitude, after all, is everything.

antibodies needed to combat the illness. The doctor explained the situation to her little brother, and asked the little boy if he would be willing to give his blood to his sister. I saw him hesitate for only a moment before taking a deep breath and saying, "Yes, I'll do it if it will save her..." As the transfusion progressed, he lay in bed next to his sister and smiled, as we all did, seeing the colour returning to her cheeks. Then his face grew pale and his smile faded. He looked up at the doctor and asked with a trembling voice, "Will I start to die right away?" Being young, the little boy had misunderstood the

The owner of a large factory decided to make a surprise visit and check up on his staff. Walking through the plant, he noticed a young man lazily against a post. "Just how much are you being paid a week?" said the owner angrily. "Three hundred bucks," replied the young man. Taking out a fold of bills from his wallet, the owner counted out \$300, slapped the money into the boy's hands, and said "Here's a week's pay -- now get out and don't come back!" Turning to one of the supervisors, he said "How long has that lazy bum been working here anyway?" "He doesn't work here," said the supervisor. "He was just here to deliver a pizza!"



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"Look at this," he said to his wife, showing her a small, white card. "It says I'm energetic, bright, resourceful and a great lover." "Yeah," his wife nodded, "and it has your weight wrong, too."

The president of the service club asked his new member, "Would you like to donate something to the home for the aged?" The new member replied, "Yes, my mother-in-law."

What's the difference between inlaws and outlaws? Outlaws are **WANTED!**

Happiness is defined as opening your refrigerator to find your mother-in-law's picture on the milk carton.

HAVE A GREAT WEEK AND ENJOY THE WARM WEATHER!!!